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## ***Taking advantage while it's still there***



photos by Linda LaBonte Britt

Although Hanscom has been enjoying one of the mildest winters in recent memory, some of the children from the Child Development Center take time out from their day to play in the snow before it melted. Justine Camacho - Claudino, Emerald Sully, Ashlee Ramsey, and Haley Piche (above from left to right) go dashing through the snow in an improvised one-horse open sleigh, while Breanna Kennon (left) dives in for a quick taste.

## **Effort protects water supply**

# ***Civil Engineers prevent public health disaster***

**by Celeste Brooks**  
66th Air Base Wing

A team of Hanscom personnel was called out to save the day on Monday when problems arose in Building 1539, the sewer lift station.

Alarms in the building were heard early Monday morning. Upon investigation, Civil Engineering personnel discovered the building was flooding with sewage.

A quick response was required to keep the sewers from overflowing, which would have been a public health disaster. If the sewers had begun to overflow, the wing commander would have ordered the base water supply to be shut off. This in turn would have required a curtailment of all mission and mission support functions.

CE plumbers knew they couldn't let that happen.

Racing against the clock, they isolated the pump house and placed a submersible pump into the rising wet well.

Security Forces parked a patrol car in front of the building and helped CE personnel direct traffic around the sewage trucks that were taking the excess waste away.

By Monday evening, the on-scene commander, Col. Peggy A. Shaw, 66th Support Group Commander, was satisfied that the submersible pump was doing its job, and became more concerned with the weather.

"It was minus five degrees with the wind chill this afternoon," said Shaw. "We have everyone on a strict work and rest schedule to avoid frostbite."

The Health and Wellness Center staff set up tables and chairs to provide the team with a place to warm up and rest. The Patriot Dining Facility staff provided hot meals, including one at midnight. As evening drew near, the floodlight truck

was brought in to illuminate the area throughout the night.

All base personnel and housing residents were asked to conserve water. Thanks to their cooperation, as of Tuesday morning the excess sewage had been removed from Building 1539, and the submersible pump was keeping the sewage flowing easily.

By the end of Tuesday, one of three pumps in the pump station had been repaired, and the other two were expected to be done by the end of Wednesday.

"Thanks to this superstar team, we didn't have to shut the base down, and we were able to continue on with our daily mission," said Shaw. "I thank each and every one of them for their fast response, and more importantly, their dedication."

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## Straight Talk

Straight Talk provides two-way communication between the 66th Air Base Wing commander and people on base.

A 24 hour-a-day telephone line and E-mail account (STRAIGHT TALK) are set up as ways for Hanscom's population to submit questions, complaints or comments, anonymously, if desired. All concerns are personally reviewed by the wing commander.

However, the quickest and most efficient way to communicate comments or complaints is to go right to the source. To assist you, we've listed points of contact and telephone numbers for several key support organizations.

■ 66th Air Base Wing Vice Commander	Col. Matt Jackson.....3-2302
■ 66th Support Group Commander	Col. Peggy A. Shaw.....3-2302
■ ESC Command Chief Master Sergeant	Chief Master Sgt. Michael Kerver.....3-5115
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■ Civil Engineer Commander	Lt. Col. Patrick R. Daly.....3-3526
■ Services Commander	



**Col. Chris T. Anzalone**  
66th Air Base Wing commander

Also, don't forget your supervisor, commander or first sergeant, they're there to help you.

If you are not satisfied with the response you receive, or are unable to solve the problem, please call the Straight Talk hot line at 3-3732.

Maj. Chris P. Wright.....3-3901	■ Mission Support Squadron Commander
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L. Fay Striker.....3-2723	■ Logistics Squadron Commander
Lt. Col. Donald A. Flowers.....3-3461	

## Base car wash

**Q**I have a question regarding the status of the Car Wash. I know that it has been closed down since before Thanksgiving and I was just wondering when it will be up and running.

**A**The car wash is currently undergoing a complete renovation. We are installing a new "touchless" automatic car wash machine into the existing building. We are also adding a manual car wash bay with a high pressure wand, and replacing the vacuums. We expect to complete the upgrades by mid-February. This is another great example of the Services MWR dollars going back to the people of Hanscom to improve quality of life programs!

## POV drug screening

**Q**I made an appointment with security forces to have my car screened by the base drug dog. Before the screening the security policeman wanted me to sign a form stating I had owned the vehicle five (5) days or less. I had owned the

vehicle for six weeks, and so I asked why I had to sign this statement. He explained that if the dog alerted on anything suspicious that I would be charged on a drug count. If this is in fact a five day law, then it needs to be re-evaluated. What is so critical about having this done within five days of purchase of vehicle?

**A**Privately owned vehicle screening is a luxury service we have offered in the past for the benefit of our customers. Due to resource constraints, neither the Bedford nor Lexington Police offer it. The five-day period was originally selected because it is the same number of days folks have to register their cars on base after they purchase them, and we thought it would be an easy number to remember.

However, upon reviewing our mission and resource requirements, we have decided this is a service we can no longer provide. With the recent cutbacks in personnel, our Security Forces drug teams are often deployed or regionally tasked, and are rarely available to perform this service.

# Wing plans training exercises

**by Col. Chris T. Anzalone**  
66th Air Base Wing Commander

In preparation for the Operational Readiness Inspection to take place in June, the 66th Air Base Wing held the first of a series of Monday training sessions Jan. 11.

These training sessions are held from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Dur-

ing these training sessions, we will provide minimum manning to our customer service areas and limit appointments and meetings scheduled for Monday afternoons. Please be prepared for delays in customer service, for example, in the pass and ID section, medical care, civil engineering routine work orders, and Services facilities.

The training sessions are

essential for ORI preparation as well as our everyday readiness status. They will include internal training, tabletop exercises, and field training exercises designed to challenge us and help us explore our strengths and limitations. I hope I can count on your support to help make readiness an installation priority ... we all have a stake in its success.

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Next, mail the form through BITC to ESC/PA, fax a copy to Theresa Feely at 3-5077 or hand-carry it to the above location. Deadline is noon Friday.

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## Civilian tuition assistance program offered

The Air Force is getting closer to offering every Air Force member -- active duty and civilian -- access to tuition assistance to enhance their professional development.

Since September 1996, the Air Staff has pursued a funded civilian tuition assistance program as a quality-of-life issue. On Oct. 7, 1997, Air Force policy established a framework for a CTAP comparable to the military voluntary education assistance program.

The CTAP is designed to benefit the Air Force mission by providing tuition assistance for mission-related courses and to help Air Force civilian non-acquisition employees attain their educational goals. Tuition assistance for acquisi-



tion personnel under the Defense Acquisition Workforce Improvement Act is mandated by Defense Department policy and supported by acquisition training funds.

While courses must be validated as mission-related, the CTAP differs from standard Air Force training in that employees, rather than management, identify requirements, initiate requests for specific courses at institutions of their choice, share in the cost and attend on a voluntary basis.

The program is supported by civilian training funds and supplemented by funds made available by major commands, installations and other sources. Accordingly, the amount of tuition assistance may vary depending on the availability of funds and number of CTAP requirements identified.

For more information, qualified career program registrants should contact their career program manager. All other employees should contact their servicing training office.

## Ten to Graduate from Airman Leadership School

The graduation ceremony for Airman Leadership School Class 99 will be held at the Patriot Enlisted Club Feb. 5, commencing at 11:30 a.m. If you're interested in attending, please contact the students, their organizations, or the Airman Leadership School at 3-5297. All tickets must be purchased prior to Jan. 29. Members of ALS Class 99B

are: Senior Airman Christine L. Banks, 319 Recruiting Squadron, Portsmouth, New Hampshire; Senior Airman Timothy R. Blake and Senior Airman Gary M. Steinberg, USAF Band of Liberty; Senior Airman Robert J. Crabtree, 313 Recruiting Squadron, Binghamton, New York; Senior Airman Shawn A. Cotton, DFAS Limestone,

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# A grateful nation remembers a fallen hero

by Staff Sgt. Bonnie M. Hernandez  
Social Actions

"I have a dream that one day this nation will rise up, live out the true meaning of its creed, 'We hold these truths to be self-evident; that all men are created equal,'" Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

Twenty years after King uttered these words, Public Law 98-144 was enacted, designating the third Monday in January as a federal holiday commemorating Dr. King's birthday. George Washington is the only other American whose birthday has been designated a federal holiday.

Since the first King holiday on Jan. 20, 1986, the observance has been an occasion for people to remember Dr. King's life and dedicate themselves anew to implementing his dreams.

Martin Luther King, Jr., was born Jan. 15, 1929, in Atlanta, Ga. At a very young age, he was fascinated by watching his father, Martin Luther King, Sr., Pastor of Ebenezer Baptist Church in Atlanta, and other ministers control audiences with skillfully chosen words. He longed to follow in their footsteps. He made words central to his life—weapons of defense and offense. His mother said that she could not recall a time when he was not intrigued by the sound and power of words.

In September 1944, when he was only 15 years old, King entered Morehouse College in Atlanta, Georgia. At first, he was undecided as to his course of study. However, in 1947, he became an ordained minister and assistant pastor at Ebenezer Baptist Church. The following year at 19 years old, Dr. King graduated from Morehouse College with a degree in sociology. He then studied for a B.A. degree in divinity at Crozer Seminary in Chester, Pennsylvania. While at Crozier,

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**-- Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.**

King attended a lecture by Dr. Moredecai W. Johnson, who was the president of Howard University in Washington, DC. Dr. Johnson explained how the moral power of Gandian non-violence could improve race relations in America. King was mesmerized by Gandhi's concepts. In 1951, Dr. King graduated from Crozer as valedictorian. He later enrolled as a Ph.D. student in philosophy at Boston University. Despite the heavy demands of his doctoral program, Dr. King found time to enroll as a special student at Harvard University. On June 5, 1955, he received his Ph.D. in Systematic Theology from Boston University.

Several of King's professors tried to steer him towards a university teaching career. Instead he accepted the pastorate of the Dexter Avenue Baptist Church in Montgomery, Alab. in 1954. He was later chosen as president of the Montgomery Improvement Association, an organization that would respond to Montgomery's ongoing segregation. In 1957, he became president of another organization called Southern Christian Leadership Conference. He devoted his life to end segregation and discrimination. Dr. King believed the only way to end the injustice in an unjust society was through nonviolent means. His nonviolent movements drew crowds by the thousands. People from all over the country came to end discrimination and segregation. Their marches hindered the normal order of business, and focused the world's attention to that cause. Dr. King's movement led to the desegregation of transportation, schools, buildings and ultimately to the passing of the Civil Rights Act of 1964.

Dr. King received the Nobel Peace Prize Dec. 10, 1964 at the age of 35. Despite the passing of the Civil Rights Act, Dr. King's need to march continued. He went to Selma, Alab. to campaign for the right of blacks to vote. Only sixty days after receiving the Nobel Peace Prize, Dr. King was once again jailed with many others. Aug. 6, 1965 the Voting Rights Act was passed. In a Christmas sermon he delivered in Atlanta, Ga. in 1967, Dr. King stated: "If we are to have peace on earth, our loyalties must transcend our race, our tribe, our class, and our nation, and this means we must develop a world perspective." He expressed a concern for world peace and explained, "whatever affects one directly affects all indirectly." He believed we were made to live together because of the interrelated structure of reality. He explained, "When we wake in the morning to have our showers and breakfast, someone has helped us to do that. Coffee from South America, tea from Chinese, and soap from the hands of a Frenchman all made this possible."

April 3, 1968, Dr. King responded to the aid of Memphis,



photo by Bob Fitch/Black Star

**Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. poses in his office with a picture of Mahatma Gandhi in the background.**

Tenn. sanitation workers. He was assassinated on the balcony outside of room 306 at the Lorraine Motel. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. was 39 years old. The proponent of nonviolence lost his life by violence. In a sermon he delivered Feb. 4, 1968, Dr. King said:

"If any of you are around when I meet my day, I don't want a long funeral. And if you get somebody to deliver a eulogy, tell him not to talk too long ... Tell them not to mention that I have a Nobel Peace Prize. That isn't important. Tell them not to mention that I have three or four hundred other awards. That's not important. Tell them not to mention where I went to school. I'd like somebody to mention that day, that Martin Luther King, Jr., tried to give his life serving others. I'd like for someone to say that day, that Martin Luther King, Jr., tried to give his life serving others. I'd like for someone to say that day, that Martin Luther King, Jr., tried to love somebody. I want you to say that I tried to be right on the war question. I want you to be able to say that day, that I did try to feed the hungry. And I want you to say that day that I did try in my life to clothe those who were naked. I want you to say that day, that I did try in my life to visit those who were in prison. I want you to say that I tried to love and serve humanity."

\*The research for this article was prepared by the Defense Equal Opportunity Management Institute, Patrick AFB, FL

\*James M. Washington, "A Testament of Hope."

## Research Lab completes readiness, compliance inspections

by Col. Jim Heald  
Air Force Research Laboratory

Inspections are stressful any time. Imagine having 65 inspectors running a combination Operational Readiness Inspection and Unit Compliance Inspection on a one-year-old organization spread out among 10 different sites from Northern Virginia to Southern California, all in a few weeks before Christmas.

That's the challenge Air Force Research Laboratory has been facing the past two-and-a-half weeks.

The Wartime Material Support inspection tested the lab's ability to support warfighter needs in a wartime scenario. These are the activities the laboratory actually performs during real-life military actions.

During the inspection, Air Force Materiel Command inspectors simulated eight separate war-time needs for the laboratory to solve. Each required a complete analysis to find technology solutions to solve the shortfalls of the fighting commander.

The goal was to provide technically feasible, cost-effective solutions to the warfighter in the minimum practical time.

Solutions ranged from off-the-laboratory-shelf technology and technical support deployed within days to accelerating our technology by development several months or even years.

Communicating across such a large organization can be a challenge. When the first tasking arrived, AFRL stood up its crisis response team. This team is made up of the senior members of the lab headquarters to provide the oversight and direction to the laboratory's responses. Its members used videoteleconferencing to make real-time, coordinated decisions.

One key to AFRL's wartime response effort is Tech Connect, the lab's information broker. Its mission is putting warfighters in direct contact with laboratory technical experts who may have novel solutions for their immediate needs. Tech Connect people used its tri-service technology database to find technical solutions from across the United States and around the world.

Another challenge AFRL faced was attacking problems as a single unit. Just 14 months ago, what is now AFRL was four separate laboratories with some 22 different directorates. This inspection challenged the

new laboratory to work together as a unit, crossing the boundaries of our current 10 directorates to present integrated solutions. This is where the laboratory's five sectors played a key role. Chiefs of the sectors (aeronautics, weapons, space, human engineering/logistics, and command and control) facilitated cross-directorate communication, ensuring solutions weren't "stove-piped," but had input from all relevant areas.

But AFRL didn't do the job alone. The laboratory tapped people across Wright-Patterson AFB and AFMC in product centers, logistics centers, the National Air Intelligence Center, and other commands to solve the inspection scenarios. The breadth of experience of these teams allowed AFRL to develop multiple approaches to solve each of the user's needs. These approaches allowed the user to choose 1) how quickly he wanted a solution and 2) how many resources he wanted to commit.

Among the challenges presented by inspectors were:

□ **Quick reaction battle damage assessment and repair.** The laboratory accelerated a program for the F-15 and was prepared to deploy equipment and technical support

within three days.

□ **A method to destroy a deeply buried target which housed lethal chemicals.** Lab people developed a plan to provide a small number of weapons that could destroy the target and neutralize the hazardous chemicals at the same time.

Other scenarios included defensive information warfare, quick-reaction satellite intelligence, lethal suppression of enemy air defenses, improved detection of chemical and biological agents, laser countermeasures, and improved launch vehicle performance.

"During this inspection, you could just feel the teamwork and sense of urgency throughout the laboratory," said Maj. Gen. Dick Paul, AFRL commander. "For each tasking, AFRL people provided a suite of alternatives in an extremely short amount of time. Even more impressive was the feasibility of the technical solutions. The power of the single laboratory structure was clearly evident throughout this exercise."

"We've been saying all along that 'we defend America by unleashing the power of innovative aerospace technology,' and the superlative effort the lab made in this exercise demonstrates our ability to do just that."

## Some prescriptions can't be filled at base clinics

by Maj. Betsaida H. Guzmán,  
66th Medical Group

Active Duty personnel are often referred to civilian providers for follow-up specialty care. Given the wide range of drugs available in the pharmaceutical market, it is not uncommon for these providers to write a prescription for a drug which the pharmacy at Hanscom does not carry.

In cases when the clinic pharmacy is closed, emergency medications or medications which need to be started promptly, e.g. antibiotics for an acute infection, can be purchased at a local pharmacy.

Active Duty patients must bring all other civilian prescriptions to the pharmacy the following duty day for appropriate action. In the majority of cases, the physician will authorize a similar drug and the patient will receive the medication immediately at the clinic pharmacy. In the few cases when there is no suitable alternative in our formulary, two other options are available.

The first option is the National Mail Order Program. This service is available, free

of charge, to active duty members for medications which the pharmacy does not carry. The turn-around time is 10 to 14 days, making this option unacceptable for emergency medications or antibiotics for acute infections. In addition, the program will not fill controlled substances prescriptions for members, as these prescriptions must be handled locally.

Lastly, when the pharmacy does not carry the medication and the NMOP is not an option, the prescription can be filled in two ways. The patient will be authorized by the Hanscom pharmacy to purchase it at a civilian drug store and be reimbursed (all receipts must be turned in at the clinic pharmacy), or, the logistics department may do an IMPAC card purchase for the patient typically within one duty day.

A list of medications stocked at the clinic pharmacy is available at the Tricare office. This list may be handed out to civilian providers to minimize the need for patient inconvenience.

For information call the Pharmacy at 3-3101 or Resource Management Office at 3-4715.

## Volunteers needed

Put your expertise to work and make a difference in someone's life. You might even develop new skills. Either way, you'll certainly improve your community and make new friends. And if that's not enough, we help you help us by offering free child care and flexible hours - all this by volunteering at Family Services. "Worker-bee" and leadership positions are available in the areas of office, lending locker, Attic, brochures, welcoming, STRIPES, layette and special projects. If you enjoy a challenge and want to be a part of a winning team, call 3-4222 and ask for either Connie Thompson or Jacqui Thomas.



photo by Linda LaBonte Britt

### Out with the old...

Members from the 66th Civil Engineer Squadron hurriedly repaired three sewage pumps in Bldg. 1539. Until the repairs were completed, it was possible that the base's drinking water could have been affected.

## Civilians can change coverage during life insurance open season

by Douglas J. Gillert  
American Forces Press Service

WASHINGTON (AFPN) — The Federal Employees Group Life Insurance program enrollment open season will be from April 24 to June 30.

The Office of Personnel Management changed the open season dates for the second time to give agencies enough time to reprogram their computers to handle employees' new insurance options. Department of Defense officials also pointed out the open season is a one-time offer — not an annual one, as reported Dec. 16 by the American Forces Press Service.

During the open season you can stop, start or change your life

insurance coverage freely — changes normally are allowed only at certain milestones, such as marriage and retirement. Changes made during the season will take effect on the first day of the first pay period beginning on or after April 23, 2000.

OPM began phasing in other new insurance options in November. It eliminated caps on the basic term insurance and Option B additional insurance you can purchase. Additional changes on tap for 1999 allow you to choose unreduced Option B coverage when you retire or to retain Option B coverage if you separate from the civil service or are in a nonpay status that runs out. Option C family coverage also will change, allowing you to elect

coverage in multiples up to five times the current amounts of \$5,000 for spouses and \$2,500 for each eligible child.

The government contributes only to employees' basic term insurance premiums. Employees pay the full premiums for options, which are offered only along with basic term coverage. Option A — a flat extra \$10,000 in coverage — is unchanged.

Forms and information about the insurance program are available on the Internet at <http://www.opm.gov/insure/life/76-21-1.htm>

Because the program is complex, however, defense personnel officials advise employees to get help from local civilian personnel benefits counselors.

**For help or  
information for  
all your concert  
and entertain-  
ment events, call  
Tickets and  
Tours at 3-3262.**



## Dilated eye exams can detect glaucoma, prevent vision loss

by Maj. Darrell Grise  
Optometry

As January is Glaucoma Awareness Month, the Hanscom eye team will conduct free glaucoma screenings at the Hanscom Base Exchange Jan. 27, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. for eligible beneficiaries.

The Optometry Clinic is participating in the National Eye Health Education Program, a nationwide effort coordinated by the National Eye Institute to educate the public about the importance of preventive eye care.

Glaucoma is a leading cause of irreversible vision loss in the United States and affects about three million Americans. It is estimated that up to one-half of these people may be unaware they have the disease.

Certain groups are at greater risk. Identified high-risk groups for glaucoma consists of people over the age of 60, African-Americans over the age of 40, and people who have a family history of glaucoma. Those at high risk need to receive a dilated eye exam at least every two years to help

detect this blinding eye disease.

There are no early warning signs of possible vision loss. One of the challenges we face with glaucoma is that people are not aware that the disease is slowly stealing their vision. By the time they realize they are losing vision, it is too late to restore the vision they have already lost. However, with treatment, glaucoma usually can be controlled and remaining vision can be protected.



Glaucoma occurs when the normal fluid pressure inside the eye progressively increases, leading to optic nerve damage and reduced peripheral (side) vision. As the disease worsens, the field of vision gradu-

ally narrows and blindness may result. However, it is important to note that elevated fluid pressure inside the eye may put people at risk for glaucoma, but it does not necessarily mean they have the disease. Whether or not a person develops glaucoma depends on the level of pressure the optic nerve can tolerate without being damaged. The level of pressure is different for each person.

## E-mail Misuse could lead to disciplinary actions

Commentary by Ken Wright  
77th Communications Squadron

### McClellan Air Force Base, Calif.

—Many people couldn't do their job without it. Sometimes people wish they had never heard of it. While the technology has great capabilities, it has brought with it new problems and challenges.

Everyone is guilty of misusing e-mail, most without realizing the impact of their actions. People are putting themselves at risk of disciplinary action each day, and the excuse "I didn't know" is wearing pretty thin.

The Air Force-provided e-mail service is for official business. Conversely commercial e-mail accounts and free e-mail accounts at home are not for official use.

There is some latitude for personal communications such as e-mail to relatives while TDY, etc. These are defined in Air Force Instruction 33-119 paragraph 3.5.

For the most part, they are brief messages under specific circumstances and do not adversely affect the system or reflect negatively upon the Air Force.

The regulations do not provide for sending large movie files to 200 friends. People should remember this when they receive files like "SNOWMAN.AVI."

The problem is that messages start backing up in base gateways. Technical people

spend hours deleting messages from the queues to stop the system from failing.

The problem compounds when official business is queued behind the junk mail. Recently at McClellan Air Force Base, Calif., an important e-mail to the Pentagon was queued behind a Halloween greeting.

E-mail almost always tells computer people who the sender of the message was. This can create more visibility than people want.

For example: someone gets a cute attachment or chain letter e-mail. They send it to a friend at another Air Force base. He sends it to his friends, and they send it to theirs. The chain letter message gets propagated all over base and the system, network or gateway chokes.

Then someone protests or is offended by the message and calls their inspector general's office. Who does the message point back to? The original sender.

Rarely are all 700 people who got the message held accountable, but almost always the person who started the mess is held accountable.

The Uniform Code of Military Justice is tough about these activities. At some installations, civil service workers face disciplinary actions that could prevent registration in the Priority Placement System or prevent selection by employers.

People need to decide whether or not "SNOWMAN" is worth the risk.

## AFCEA workshop to be held

The Lexington-Concord Chapter of the Armed Forces Communications and Electronics Association in participation with the Electronic Systems Center will hold a one-day workshop to be held Jan. 27.

The theme of the workshop is Managing C2 as a Weapon System. The program will be held at the Marriott Hotel, Mall Road, Burlington, and will feature the annual State of ESC Message by Lt. Gen. Ronald Kadish, ESC Commander. The registration fee is \$80 for Government personnel.

Government personnel wishing to make reservations, must call extension 5852. Also, an approved DD Form 1556 must be delivered to Bldg. 1606, room 300 NLT COB, of Jan. 22 or your reservation will be cancelled. Attendance at the workshop will count as nine hours of Acquisition Training credit.

## Housing office to be closed

The Family Housing office will be closed every Tuesday at 2:30 p.m. for staff meeting and training. Emergency service can be handled by calling 3-4590.

For information call Kim Kintzel, housing manager at 3-3387.

Many who join the military expect to fight and possibly die so that others may live. Although he took a different route, the result was the same when this lieutenant decided to ...

## Pay the price to give the gift of hope

by Master Sgt. Daryl Mayer  
ESC Public Affairs

### Pop quiz

If you could save someone's life simply by reaching out and touching them, would you do it?

Of course you would. Alright, that one was too easy.

Here's another.

Suppose you had the chance to have several large needles inserted into your bones not so you could save someone but merely give them the hope of surviving. Would you still be just as willing?

It gets a little tougher when you actually have to pay a price, doesn't it?

Well, it wasn't such a tough question for 1st Lt. Robin Orth from the Electronic Systems Center Strategic and Nuclear Deterrence Command and Control Program Office here. He just returned from donating his bone marrow at the Vince Lombardi Cancer Research Center at Georgetown University Medical Center in Washington, D.C.

Although Orth made his donation only weeks ago, this journey actually began years ago.

In 1995, while a cadet at the Air Force Academy, Orth and his classmates were stunned to hear that a fellow cadet had been diagnosed with leukemia. In response, over 4000 cadets and staff gave samples of their blood and volunteered to donate their bone marrow to save their comrade's life.

This began the very complicated process to find a compatible donor. "They aren't looking for blood type," said Orth. They actually examine the DNA code. In order to be successful, the donor and patient must match on at least four of six different points in their DNA code.

Of the 4000 volunteers at the academy, none of them matched their colleague. But a donor was found elsewhere and that cadet received a transplant that extended his life for another year.

Although Orth didn't match at that time, he was entered on the Department of Defense's bone marrow donor registry where he stayed for three years.

One day while working on the radar upgrade program for Clear Air Station, Alaska, the phone rang. "I got a call from

the C.W. Bill Young Marrow Donor Center in July asking if I would be willing to donate because I might be a match," said Orth. At this point the odds of actually matching the patient were still really high, about 1 in 250,000. "I really didn't think it would match."

Still, Orth had about 14 vials of blood drawn for further examination.

In October, the final results were known. Orth was a match for a 37 year old male. "I had no clue who or where he was," said Orth. "It is completely confidential."

Before going any further, the center asked Orth if he was still willing to donate. "They ask at every stage. They give you plenty of outs," he said. Nonetheless, Orth was still convinced that donating was the right thing to do.

To prepare for the donation, Orth had to have two units of blood drawn. This blood would be replaced in Orth after his marrow was extracted.

Orth went to Georgetown University in late November to meet the medical team that would perform the extraction and discuss the process he would go through a month later. While there, he also got a physical examination to ensure he was fit to donate.

The C.W. Bill Young Marrow Donor Center paid all of Orth's expense during this and subsequent trips to the Washington D.C. area. They also paid to have a member of his family flown from Spokane, Wash., to be with him during the extraction.

On the day of the procedure, Dec. 29, Orth was sitting in Pre-op. "I remember carrying a cooler that they would use to store my marrow," he said. The medical staff explained to Orth that his marrow would be packed into the cooler and immediately transported to the patient. "They have to use it within 48 hours," he added.

Orth was then administered a general anesthetic. "You could choose to have an epidural so you would be awake through the whole procedure but not feel anything," he said. "I just said put me out."

During the extraction, the team put 7 large needles into two bones in Orth's lower back. They then pushed smaller needles through the large ones to extract the marrow.

"By 11 (a.m.) I woke up and it was done," he said. "By the next morning I could walk around but it was still painful getting in and out of bed."

Within two weeks Orth was feeling good enough to resume his normal work-out routine.

Although physically he is feeling normal, Orth is justifiably curious. This clinic provides updates on the patient's status after 30, 60, 180 days and one year. "We can also write letters back and forth but everything is screened," he said. "After a year you can trade addresses if you want to stay in touch." In either sense, Orth expects to hear something about his patients progress soon.

It may seem that once the transplant is over everything is done but it is not. As the medical team at Georgetown explained to Orth, even after the matching process, the chances of the patients body rejecting Orth's marrow are about 50 - 50.

For about two weeks before the transplant, the patient is put on a terminal track, Orth said. This means the patient is exposed to enough radiation that his own diseased bone marrow is destroyed. At that point, the transplant has to take place or the patient will die.

"One of the things that surprised me was that before the transplant we (the patient and Orth) didn't have the same blood type. But when my marrow is put into him, it will change his blood type to match mine."

Changing the patients blood type will happen right after the transplant. But that doesn't mean he is out of the woods. Everything can go along for a prolonged period and then suddenly an organ can reject the marrow and fail, according to Orth. Sometimes rejection can occur a year or more after the transplant. If the body rejects the marrow, the patient will die.

The long odds of finding a match and surviving the transplant is one of the reasons why it is important to have more people register to be donors, Orth added. More people on the registry can lead to more matches. Also a larger donor pool can lead to a more exact match between donor and patient. The closer the match, the better the chances of survival.

This is one of those times when one person can make all the difference in the world.

After being jabbed with needles all over his body, Orth is glad he tried to make a difference. "It was the right thing to do," he said.

"You are giving the hope of life," Orth said. "Even if it doesn't take, he did have that hope for a while."

### Pop quiz:

Are you willing to pay the price to give the gift of hope?

## DoD bone marrow program seeks donors

The Department of Defense C. W. Bill Young Marrow Donor Center in Kensington, Md., is one of more than 100 donor centers in the United States linked to the National Marrow Donor Program. It was established to recruit volunteer marrow donors from active-duty military, their immediate family members, civil service employees, Reservists and guardsmen.

The primary purpose of the National Marrow Donor Registry is to provide, on a volunteer basis, unrelated donors for patients needing bone marrow transplants.

Bone marrow transplantation is the preferred treatment for more

than 60 fatal blood disorders. It is estimated that 25,000 Americans are in need of a transplant each year. The registry offers the possibility of genetically matched bone marrow transplant therapy to 70 percent of the patients who do not have a matched family member as a potential donor.

In addition to the humanitarian mission, the DOD center has a military contingency mission to provide immediate donor searches and donor follow up in the event of a mass-casualty incident involving chemical or nuclear attacks or related industrial accidents.

The military is the nation's

largest source of whole-blood donations. Since the program began in 1986, more than 180,000 DOD volunteers have been registered in the marrow donor program.

More than 700 military volunteers provided marrow to a stranger to help save a life, and more than 100 DOD beneficiaries received marrow transplants from National Marrow Donor Program volunteers.

The C.W. Bill Young Marrow Donor Center's goal is to recruit at least 25,000 military volunteers each year. Anyone interested in this lifesaving effort or wanting more information can call 1-800-MARROW-3.



What's hot, yet cool, fun and exciting, and right around the corner? You guessed it ... **Hanscom's Winter Carnival!** This year's theme is Fiesta Caliente. A Southwestern Tex-Mex fiesta, guaranteed to be fun for everyone in the Hanscom community. From sporting events to childrens events, line dancing to margarita mixin', it's a shin-dig with a spicy attitude you'll love! Stay tuned to the Hansconian and watch your email for further details.

# TRICARE: making it work for you

**by Maj. Lisa Johnson**  
Chief, Managed Care  
Air Force Materiel Command

**WRIGHT-PATTERSON AIR FORCE BASE, OHIO** — Although the congressionally directed military drawdown has reduced the number of military hospitals and their staffs, there is still great demand for health care through the Military Health System. With demand exceeding the system's capacity to deliver it, the rising costs of health care and the continuing requirement to maintain a trained and ready medical corps to support our troops, the Department of Defense introduced TRICARE.

TRICARE unites the health care resources of the Army, Navy and Air Force and supplements them with networks of civilian health care professionals. It is a unique system which provides improved access to health care and creates a more efficient way to receive care, offer enhanced services, and provide more choices for health care.

TRICARE is now fully operational within the continental United States. Air Force Materiel Command's last two facilities, Hanscom and Wright-Patterson came on line this past year. Because AFMC's 12 bases are spread across the country, implementation of TRICARE has been unique and challenging for the command, having to work with eight different Lead Agents (the personnel responsible for implementing TRICARE within the regions) and five different civilian healthcare contractors (the people paid to operate TRICARE).

Implementation of TRICARE has resulted in many changes, not only for our patients, but also for the whole medical facility. Two changes, which have occurred, are the way patients make appointments and how medical claims are processed.

First, TRICARE Prime enrollees make appointments by calling a designated 1-800 number (this is

the number printed on your TRICARE Prime enrollment card). TRICARE contract personnel answer the phone lines and schedule all appointments for Prime enrollees.

Most of the time phones are answered and appointments are booked in a timely manner, but at times patients may experience difficulties. If this occurs, it is important for beneficiaries to contact their TRICARE Service Center at the Medical Treatment Facility (MTF) to make these personnel aware of the problem. Another individual to contact if this route fails is the military facility's Patient Representative. This person is normally a "blue suitor" who manages all types of concerns within the facility.

Beneficiaries, who are not enrolled in TRICARE Prime, may use TRICARE Standard, the Civilian Health and Medical Plan of the Uniformed Services (CHAMPUS) or TRICARE Extra (network providers who accept a discount).

When patients see these providers, the provider must file a claim. Most claims are processed in a timely and efficient manner, but at times, and depending on what TRICARE region you live in, there may be delays. If at any time, you as the patient, receive a bill that you don't understand or that you think is in error, it is important for you to take this claim to the TRICARE Service Center. These personnel will assist you in resolving any disputes you may have. It is their job to do this, and it is vital for you to bring any unresolved or inaccurate claims to their attention.

TRICARE is here for you. It is not here to cause you pain and suffering. It has been a long and somewhat tumultuous journey, but we are constantly working to improve TRICARE. Please give the experts the opportunity to step in and handle your concerns in a timely manner so that we can continue to perfect TRICARE along its journey to an improved health benefit for you and your family.

## Commissary starts charging for checks

**by Maryanne Frank**  
Secretary Commissary

Section 2486 of Title 10, United States Code, Amended, allows for an administrative charge on all dishonored checks presented at commissaries.

Beginning with checks presented at commissaries Feb. 1, 1999 and after, an administrative fee of \$25 will be assessed on all dishonored checks. This fee is in addition to any fee that may be imposed by the finance office for the collection of delinquent debts.

The law also states that the military member is responsible for checks written by family members and allows for the collection of dishonored checks and fees from the member. Any dishonored check not redeemed at the store will be forwarded to finance office for collection from the member's pay.

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# City-base

## AFMC cutting operating costs with help from surrounding communities

by Leigh Anne Redovian

Air Force Materiel Command Public Affairs

**Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio** -- If you've seen one Air Force base, you've seen 'em all, right? All have commissaries, dormitories, fire protection and hospitals tucked away on the base compound. But Brig. Gen. Todd Stewart, Air Force Materiel Command's civil engineer, is asking the command to take a closer look and argues "If you've seen one AFMC base, you've seen one AFMC base."

As the command's chief operating officer for Installations and Support, Stewart is behind the command's revolutionary strategy for making good use of capital assets no longer used by their host bases. From empty buildings and quiet runways to wasted electricity, Stewart is looking for ways to cut both investment and recurring operating costs while at the same time offering better facilities and support services to those who rely on them.

Partnerships with local base communities and commercial developers are at the heart of AFMC's new cost-cutting strategy.

"We are attempting to achieve real reductions in cost by working with our community public- and private-sector partners to make mutually-beneficial use of Air Force-owned land and facilities," he said.

### Real Strategy

In the past few years, closing or realigning bases has been looked at as the best way to save money on infrastructure and base support services. AFMC also has relied on competitive sourcing and privatization to cut its installation and support costs. Competitive sourcing involves a competition to determine whether commercial-type activities can be accomplished more economically by an organic (primarily civil service) work force or by a contractor. Privatization refers to the sale or conveyance of facilities or other physical assets for operation and maintenance by a contractor.

Even with these practices, there has been no real comprehensive strategy for cost reduction using capital asset management, Stewart said. In the past, the primary emphasis has been on reducing operating costs through competitive sourcing of commercial activities.

"We have to think outside the box and start operating like any big business," Stewart said. "The private sector has always looked at reducing both operational and capital costs savings have to come from both."

While researching various cost-cutting strategies, Stewart said he challenged his own thinking about what an Air Force base should be and concluded not all AFMC bases should necessarily look alike or operate in the same way. Stewart contends AFMC needs to tailor the infrastructure and support for each of its bases to better fit individual, unique requirements. These installation and support plans will be described in a base template to be developed for each AFMC base. These templates will describe the "end state" for each AFMC base and will consider mission requirements, the needs of assigned personnel, and support available in the community.

"These templates will describe how we want our bases to look and work downstream," he said. "They are our visions for the future."

### Freeing Funds

According to Stewart, the templates will describe the missions and units to be assigned to each base, the infrastructure and other capital assets needed to support those missions and people, and specific cost-reduction plans.

AFMC bases which host and support deploying aircraft will necessarily have greater numbers of military personnel assigned and will continue to rely heavily on organic support and infrastructure, Stewart said. Other bases not having significant deployment support require-

ments will have fewer military people assigned and will rely more on community support. The command is working to consolidate its mobility taskings to the extent practicable at its primary deployment support bases Eglin AFB, Fla.; Hill AFB, Utah; Robins AFB, Ga.; and Tinker AFB, Okla.

The remaining AFMC bases have been further categorized as "operational bases," or those bases with an active airfield, and non-operational bases. This will allow for better planning for infrastructure and support requirements.

Stewart said the operational bases, Edwards AFB, Calif.; Kirtland AFB, N.M.; and Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio, will still require moderate levels of support.

Those remaining non-operational bases, Arnold AFB, Tenn.; Brooks AFB, Texas; Hanscom; Los Angeles AFB, Calif.; and the Air Force Research Laboratory's Rome Research Site will have relatively fewer military people assigned and will rely on the community to a greater extent for their infrastructure and support service needs, Stewart said.

"If we can consolidate our military personnel at our primary deployment support bases, we will need fewer dorms, family housing units and other costly military-unique support facilities and services at our other bases," Stewart said.

According to Stewart, this realignment creates an opportunity to reduce installation and support costs by allowing more extensive privatization of infrastructure and competitive sourcing of commercial support activities.

In looking at the templates for the non-core mobility bases, it became clear the command could continue to provide quality infrastructure and support at lower costs by leveraging the value of underutilized land and facilities through partnerships with the community. This shared use of Air Force-owned, but underutilized capital assets has been termed the "city-base" concept.

The city-base concept relies more on the community and private sector for support and city services needed to support Air Force missions and people. The concept allows surrounding communities to develop unused portions of AFMC bases in exchange for rents or support services. The payments will underwrite Defense Department costs, freeing up funds that can be used for weapon system acquisition or other Air Force priorities.

### Potential at each base

Because of the diverse nature of AFMC missions and the communities supporting the bases, Stewart said each of the partnership agreements is likely to be different. "While our primary deployment support bases will probably look much the same way they do now, others will probably look and operate more like business or research parks," he said.

Stewart said some opportunities to partner with the community in the use of underutilized Air Force assets may exist at every AFMC base, not just at the non-deployment support bases.

"Every dollar we get from allowing the community or the private sector to use underutilized land and facilities, is a dollar we don't have to ask Congress for," Stewart said.

### Brooks studying for Air Force

The 311th Human Systems Wing at Brooks AFB, Texas, is conducting a study of the development opportunities at that installation for the Secretary of the Air Force. The wing at Brooks is the Air Force agent for human-centered research, development, acquisition, education, training and operational support services for individuals and the total force. While the wing's current mission will stay the same, the study is exploring ways to reduce installation and support costs by making underutilized land and facilities on the base available for com-

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AFMC Civil Engineer**

mercial development.

According to Stewart, the Air Force has only limited legal authority to implement the city-base concept and is looking to propose legislation in fiscal year 2000 to allow the Air Force to better manage its capital assets and reduce its installation and support costs through Air Force-community partnership arrangements. Stewart believes that such enabling legislation will be mutually beneficial to both the Air Force and the community.

Col. Michael Binion, director of the Human Systems Wing's Business Development Office at Brooks, is overseeing the study there. Binion said the local community has been forward-thinking and proactive in working with the base to make the concept a reality.

"The community's goal is to preserve the jobs and the highly technical work that is done here," he said. "The community sees the work force at Brooks as a magnet for growth in San Antonio and the people here don't want to lose it."

Community leaders believe helping the Air Force reduce its base support costs will make it advantageous for the Defense Department to keep its mission at Brooks, Binion said.

San Antonio's Mayor Howard Peak chartered the Brooks Opportunities Task Force to work with the Air Force on the study in exploring ways to reduce its infrastructure and support costs at the base. This charter formalized an already good relationship between the city and the base, Binion said. The task force has further enhanced communication and cooperation between the Air Force and the community, he said.

"What we do here is important to the Air Force mission," Binion said. "We want to be good stewards for the taxpayers by performing our mission in the most cost-effective and efficient manner possible."

According to Binion, the AFMC at Brooks is helping the base identify ways to reduce its base operating costs and explore new opportunities while enhancing and preserving its mission.

"The key element to the study's success is our partnership with the city of San Antonio," he said.

The study is expected to be completed in time for the Secretary of Defense to submit it to Congress in March 1999.

The command will develop a more specific plan for installation and support at Brooks and other AFMC installations, based on the results of the study and future congressional actions, Stewart said.

"Even as we are exploring new ways to cut our operating costs, we remain committed to excellence in those products and services we provide," Stewart said. "Working with our surrounding communities through these cost-cutting partnership arrangements will help us maintain and improve our installations and the support we provide to the missions and people who live and work there."



# 'Start Smart' at Youth Center

by James Cocoran  
66th Services Squadron

Parents of Hanscom youth have a special opportunity to help their children develop sports skills through a unique national program that's available. The Start Smart Sports Development Program is open to youngsters ages 3 to 5 whose parent or another adult is able to attend the six one-hour sessions with them.

There are 10 spots available for parent-child participant groups that will be filled on a first come, first serve basis. The Start Smart Program will begin Feb. 6 at the Youth Center and will be held from 3 to 4 p.m. every Saturday for six weeks. "We are excited about being chosen to be part of this national program," said Scott Craver program coordinator here at Hanscom. "We are always looking for innovative ways to help improve youth

sports and this program certainly helps."

The Start Smart Program targets parents who want to help their child develop basic motor skills such as throwing, catching, kicking and batting that are needed to participate in sports. It will teach parents the proper way to develop those skills with their children while building their confidence which will enable them to enjoy participation in youth sports programs.

A variety of innovative products provided by OddzOn, Inc. will be utilized to enhance the child's skill development. OddzOn is the manufacturer of the popular line of Koosh Balls which are being provided as part of the program. The program is being administered by the Youth Development arm of the non-profit National Alliance for Youth Sports based in West Palm Beach, Florida. For more information on the Start Smart Program, contact Craver at 3-3308.

# Falcons stay undefeated

by Col. Don Smith  
ESC Inspector General

Hanscom's Middle School Boy's Basketball Team opened the new year with an exciting 48 to 43 win over archrival Lincoln Jan. 5.

Brian Shupp and Matt Smith lead a balanced Falcon scoring attack that saw four of the Falcon starters in double figures. Smith and Shupp both finished with 12 points, while Eric Smolen and Josh Davis contributed 10 points apiece to the hard fought effort. This victory was Hanscom's closest contest to date.

Two days later the Falcons traveled to Lancaster and posted a 46 to 25 victory over the Lancaster Lancers.

Eric Smolen lead a balanced Falcon attack that saw all 14 players see significant playing time.

The Falcons schedule continues with road games at Bolton, Swampscott, Carlisle and Shirley. The team resumes their home schedule Jan. 26 when they host Parker. Game time for that contest is 3:30 p.m. in the Hanscom Middle School gym.

## Over 30 Basketball Standings

Team:	W	L
Rockets	1	0
Bulls	1	0
Knicks	0	1
Celtics	0	1
Timberwolves	0	0
Lakers	0	0

## Intramural Basketball Standings

Team:	W	L
SVS	2	0
SC	2	0
AWACS	1	0
Youth Center	1	0
Lincoln Lab #2	1	0
GA	1	0
AFRL	1	1
SPS	0	1
CE	0	1
MSS	0	1
JOINT STARS	0	1
Lincoln Lab #1	0	1
USS Constitution	0	1
Clinic	0	1

# New Air Force uniform catalog offered online

by Shannon Meyer

Air Force Materiel Command  
Public Affairs

**Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio** --Always free to U.S. service members, the new military clothing catalogs from the Army and Air Force Exchange Service now are available. Shoppers may pick up a hard copy of the catalog in clothing sales stores, request one by calling 1-888-768-3204 or access an electronic copy on the Internet at <http://www.aafes.com>.

The Internet catalog version is designed to provide shopping convenience to active duty and reserve service members who may live miles from a military clothing sales store.

"Orders from both versions are fulfilled at the same location, so

whether customers order by phone or online their order will be processed right away," said Lt. Col. Dave Fredrikson, chief of Corporate Communications for AAFES.

Just as in the store, soldiers or airmen purchase clothing record items at the same price AAFES pays the supplier. Listed catalog prices include delivery by parcel post; no additional taxes or handling fees are charged.

"Unless the customer wants their order shipped priority mail, they pay the printed price," Fredrikson said.

Featured in each service's catalog are the latest dress, service, physical training and battle dress uniforms, as well as boots, shoes, shirts and insignia.

Additional merchandise avail-

able to authorized customers includes luggage, shaving kits, watches, commemorative clocks and award cases, pilot sunglasses, knives, utility tools and binoculars.

On-line purchases require a major credit card or deferred payment plan account. Catalog orders processed by phone or mail can be paid for by check.

"We are quite proud of our Web security and guarantee all credit card orders for the full amount," said Fredrikson.

A policy on the AAFES home page ensures it will reimburse customers for any fraudulent charges, not covered by the customer's credit card issuer if fraudulent charges result from information stolen while shopping the AAFES online site, Fredrikson said.

# Manage training on web

by 2nd Lt. Brandon B. Fisher  
Education and Training Flight

A state-of-the-art training documentation system is on its way to Hanscom: ETMSWeb, AFMC's first Web-based training management system for supervisors.

The system will document and forecast training requirements for each employee with just a few keystrokes. One of the unique features of ETMSWeb is an on-line training course catalog, updated by AFMC, that gives supervisors unprecedented flexibility in requesting and scheduling necessary training. Unit training monitors and Education and Training personnel use the system to validate supervisor requests and, in turn, build and conduct needed training. ETMSWeb's many benefits include real-time

access to individual training plans with a corresponding decrease in manual processes. The system has also consolidated civilian and military personnel record systems.

"The system integrates ESC's complex training requirements with a command-wide records system. It will save us time and money, and it will deliver training when we need it," said Maj. Rick Keating, Education and Training Flight Commander.

The Education and Training Flight will conduct ETMSWeb training for training monitors in January and February. The projected start date for actual use of the program is March 1.

Contact Hanscom's ETMSWeb Administrator, 2nd Lt. Brandon Fisher, at 3-3511, with any questions.

# Calendar of Events

## Today

### The HQ ESC Two Letter Annual Awards ceremony

The HQ ESC Two Letter Annual Awards ceremony is scheduled for Thursday at 8:30 p.m. in the O'Club Ballroom. Attire for all nominees and attendees is uniform of the day. The price is \$8 for club members and \$10 for non-members.

Reservations are being accepted at the Command Chief Master Sergeant's Office, Bldg. 1606 2nd floor, Ste 208 (3-5115 or DSN 478-5115). Respond by 4 p.m. today.

### Acquisition Development Office's Government and Industry Day

Electronic Systems Center's Acquisition Development Office, in conjunction with the Yankee Chapter of the National Defense Industrial Association, will host a Government and Industry Day, Tuesday, at the Officer's Club from 11:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. This is the Industry Day that was originally scheduled for Dec. 16. The session will begin with a luncheon at 11:30 a.m. Sen. Edward Kennedy and Rep. Marty Meehan have been invited to speak.

The Government and Industry Day portion of this program will commence immediately following the lunch. Participants will include ESC program offices, other Government organizations and representatives from both industry and academia. The purpose of the program is to discuss ESC progress in defining and developing the program planning phase of the acquisition process as well as to discuss new and ongoing acquisition reform initiatives. It will include the demonstration of a new Web-based tool developed by ESC to facilitate the Program Planning process. The Web-based

tool (to be located on HERBB) will be operational and ready for use immediately after the session.

Cost of attendance will be \$15 for the lunch, payable at the door.

Contact Donna Lucas, ESC/BP at 3-7417 for further information or to make reservations no later than today.

### Anti-Terrorist Briefings

Bart Cawley, Defense Security Services representative, will offer anti-terrorist briefings for contractor personnel on a monthly basis. This training is required for all contractor personnel traveling outside the continental United States. This includes vacation travel as well as business trips. These briefings are being sponsored in light of the heightened threat to U.S. personnel overseas.

The next briefing is scheduled for today from 1:30 to 2:30 p.m. in the O'Neill Auditorium.

## Tuesday

### ESC Annual Awards Committee Seeks Members

Want a chance to excel? The Electronic Systems Center Annual Awards Banquet Committee is seeking individuals looking for an opportunity to be part of ESC's biggest event of the year. Personnel of all ranks, including civilians, are invited to the committee meetings listed below. All of the meetings will begin at 9 a.m. sharp at the Officers Club in the Powder Keg Pub room. This years banquet is scheduled for Feb 25 at the Officers Club.

Meetings are scheduled for Tuesday, Jan. 25, Feb. 1, Feb. 8, Feb. 16 and Feb. 22

Please call Senior Airman Kevin Brooks at 3-5115 with any further questions.

for valuable moving tips? Visit the office web page at [www.hanscom.af.mil/JPPSO](http://www.hanscom.af.mil/JPPSO).

Through the web page you can receive information on topics such as Moving Tips, Claims, DITY Program, and moving pamphlets such as the "It's Your Move" and "Shipping Your POV" booklets.

This online real time information puts the most up to date personal property information right at the customer's fingertips.

### Emerging Technologies Exposition

The Communications and Information Division will be hosting an "Emerging Technologies Exposition" on Feb. 10, in the Officers Club from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Viewing over 40 product and services demonstrations in satellite tool kits, object modeling and methodology, video communications, storage solutions, design automation solutions, servers, portable computers, and much more.

For information call (800) 878-2940 ext 238 or e-mail [nomiki@fbcdh.com](mailto:nomiki@fbcdh.com) or William Hunter at Base 3-8610.

### Volunteers needed for Winter Carnival

The Winter Carnival Committee is seeking volunteers to provide entertainment by dressing up in costume and mingling with carnival goers on Feb. 19. Examples include dressing as a cowboy, a pirate, a monster, etc.

If you are interested in volunteering for this easy and fun job, call 2nd Lt. Sunnie Monahan at 271-4573.

### Housing office closure

The Family Housing office will be closed every Tuesday at 2:30 p.m. for staff meeting and training. Emergency service can be handled by calling 3-4590. For information call Kim Kintzel, housing manager at 3-3387.

### USO of New England

The USO offers free and discounted tickets to theaters, sporting events, concerts, museums, comedy clubs, galleries and special events.

People can visit the free USO VIP lounge at Logan International Airport in terminal C seven days a week, 24 hours a day.

Also people can use the free USO Cyber Café at U.S. Coast Guard ISC, 427 Commercial St., Boston.

For information call (617)-720-4949 or e-mail [usone@msn.com](mailto:usone@msn.com).

### Civil Engineering Environmental Flight

Household hazardous waste turn-in is from 8 to 9 a.m. every Tuesday. This turn-in is available for both on-base residents and base organizations.

For information contact 1st Lt. Brian MacDonald at 3-4888.

### Computer based training arrives at Hanscom

The Communications and Information Division Training Office provides many computer based training courses to all government personnel assigned to Hanscom.

This program will allow you to download a training course to your computer and take the course at your convenience. The office has more than 100 courses available covering areas such as Windows NT, Microsoft Office, UNIX, and Networking fundamentals. To establish an account contact the SC Training office 3-1253.

### Volunteers needed for recruiting role

The 319th Recruiting Squadron is looking for active duty personnel to volunteer for the Recruiting Role Model Assistance program.

Volunteers will talk about their area of expertise to high school students throughout the New England area.

For information about the program or to volunteer, contact Tech. Sgt. Michael Lord or Staff Sgt. Claudette Hutchinson at (603) 427-5055.

## Patriot Dining Facility

<b>The weekday hours of the facility are as follows:</b> <b>Breakfast — 6 to 8 a.m.</b> <b>Lunch — 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.</b>	<b>Dinner — 4 to 6 p.m.</b> <b>Weekend and holiday hours:</b> <b>Brunch — 7 a.m. to 1 p.m.</b> <b>Supper — 4 to 6 p.m.</b>
<b>Friday</b> Lunch: fried catfish, hot and spicy chicken Dinner: chicken adobo, apple glazed corned beef	Supper: hamburger parmesan, curried chicken
<b>Saturday</b> Brunch: barbecue cubed franks, chicken patty Supper: Knockwurst with kraut, Szechwan chicken*	<b>Tuesday</b> Lunch: liver and onions, spinach lasagna Dinner: chili mac, tuna melt sandwich
<b>Sunday</b> Brunch: chicken a la king, breaded pork steak Supper: Italian meatloaf*, burritos	<b>Wednesday</b> Lunch: egg foo young, shrimp egg rolls Dinner: sweet and sour chicken, spaghetti with meat sauce
<b>Monday</b> Brunch: roast veal*, beef stew	<b>Thursday</b> Lunch: honey glazed Cornish hens, seafood platters Dinner: vegetable stuffed cabbage rolls*, chicken nuggets

*Items listed with an "\*" are "Check it Out" Healthy items. For information on the Patriot Dining Facility or the menu, contact Master Sgt. Harold Warnett at 3-2189. NOTE: Menu items subject to change.*

## Hanscom School Menu

<b>Monday</b> No School	<b>Tuesday</b> Nachos with seasoned beef and cheese sauce, niblet corn, fruit cup, sherbet	<b>Thursday</b> Hot Dog on roll, baked beans, veggie sticks with dip, fruit	<b>Friday</b> Cheese pizza or fish pattie on roll, veggie sticks with dip, fruit cup, Italian ice
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## Upcoming and Weeklies

### Men's Base Volleyball

Anyone interested in trying out for or coaching the men's base volleyball team should call Staff Sgt. Chris Asuncion at 3-3353 or 3-2752.

### Volunteers needed

The Child Development Center staff is looking for volunteers to take care of the fish tank in the lobby of the CDC. Children of all ages have enjoyed watching the beautiful freshwater fish in the tank, but many of our volunteers are unavailable to care for the tank due to PCSing. If you would be interested in feeding the fish, helping to clean out the tank or change the water, please contact the Parent Advisory Board chairperson, Jim Reinold at 981-0791, or the CDC staff at 3-7166.

### Airman Education and Commissioning Program

The application process has begun for the next Airman Education and Commissioning Program selection board. The application cut off date for a memorandum of academic eligibility to AFIT/RRE is April 1. This program is open to airmen who wish to pursue a baccalaureate degree in meteorology, computer engineering, electrical engineering, foreign languages and foreign area studies. Applicants who successfully complete their academic phase of AECP will enter Officer Training School.

Applicants should contact the base education office for additional information, 3-3120.

### Joint Personal Property Shipping Office, On-Line Real Time Information

Planning for a PCS move and looking



# Happenings

## Fitness enhancement

❑ A **cholesterol screening** will be held at the HAWC today from 8 to 10 a.m. Please call 3-6560 for an appointment time.

## Relationships

❑ **Inbound relocation seminar (families welcomed)** will be held at the Family Support today or Jan. 22 from 9 to 10 a.m. Welcome new Team Hanscom members. Receive your official introduction to Hanscom's settling-in services for new arrivals: local community information, spouse employment, volunteer opportunities, home-finding and budgeting.

## Hanscom Schools

The cafeteria has openings for workers, Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. For information call Maria Barker at 781-274-9640.

## Employment assistance

❑ **Transitioning from a military to a civilian career** will be held at the Family Support Center, Monday through Friday, from Monday to today. This workshop is designed to assist voluntarily and involuntarily separating or retiring service members make a successful career transition. Civilian clothing is suggested. Spouses are welcome. This class begins at 12:30 p.m. Monday and ends at 12:30 p.m. Friday. Tuesday through Thursday class hours are 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

## Education Center, Bldg. 1728, 3-2021

❑ The **DPE testing** policy requires students to arrive on time for scheduled test sessions.

All students taking exams should arrive a minimum of 15 minutes prior to test time. Doors will be closed at exactly 8 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. and no one will be allowed to enter. This policy will apply to everyone.

❑ A chemical safety for audits class will be held March 2 to 5 at the Education Center, Room G, Bldg. 1728. This course provides an overview of chemical process safety management, risk management planning, hazard evaluation, emergency planning, and chemical safety auditing. This course is intended for individuals who are responsible for reviewing emergency response and safety programs at chemical plants, petrochemical plants, refineries, or chemical storage facilities.

❑ Introduction to Groundwater Investigations will be held March 23 to 25, HAFB Education Center, Room G, Bldg. 1728. This course is designed to provide participants with information concerning hydrogeological processes and the necessary elements of a sound groundwater site investigation. This course is intended for personnel who are involved in groundwater contamination investigations.

Enrollment is limited. For eligibility information and registration contact Lois Morin, 3-2100.

❑ A representative from Middlesex Community College will be in the Education Center lobby from 11:30 to 1 p.m. Jan. 19. Come by to ask questions and obtain literature on the opportunities provided by Mid-

dlesex Community College. Please contact the Education Center's customer service desk, 3-3120, with any questions.

## Thrift Shop, 274-8079

❑ The Minuteman Thrift Shop is accepting winter items for consignment.

Hours of operation are Thursday, Friday and Saturday 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Consignment Hours are 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Thursday, Friday and the first Saturday of each month. For information call Kelly Comeau, Dawn King, or Lisa Van Biene at 274-8079. Send correspondence to Thrift Shop ATTN: Manager, POB 557, Bedford, Mass. 01730.

❑ The Minuteman Thrift Shop is accepting winter items for consignment. Hours of operation are Thurs, Fri, and Sat 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Consignment hours are 10am-1 p.m. Thursday, Friday and the first Saturday of each month. We strongly suggest those with consignment items arrive early as the Thrift Shop reserves the right to close consignments prior to 1pm if response is heavy. For more info or to leave a message call Kelly Comeau, Dawn King, or Lisa Van Biene at 274-8079.

## Patriot Senior NCO Association

❑ The Top Three Association is a professional membership association for senior non-commissioned officers, active duty and retired. The group actively supports the men and women of Hanscom and the surrounding communities. The Top Three also serves as a base network for problem-solving and encourages comradeship. Meetings are held the last Tuesday of every month at the enlisted club.

For information call Master Sgt. Jayson McPherson at 3-8001.

## Company Grade Officers' Council

❑ Questions or comments? Call President 1st Lt. Craig Parisot 3-3588, Vice-President 1st Lt. Marty Mears 186-2673.

❑ Check out the council's Centernet web site. It is at <http://esc.hanscom.af.mil/CGOC/orgCGOC.htm>, and is accessible only within Hanscom. This site serves primarily as a functional site for Hanscom's CGOs.

Anyone with ideas or suggestions about

the site should contact Mears at 186-2673.

## Officers' Wives' Club

❑ The January OWC function is a Couples Dinner Theatre. Come join us for a wonderful dinner of chicken cacciatore, tossed salad, Italian bread, spumoni with claret sauce served with coffee or tea. Enjoy the theatre production "Love Letters," a heartwarming tale of the 50 year relationship between a man and woman through their letters to each other, by A.R. Gurney starring Lis Adams and Ken Happe. So mark your calendar early and bring a guest Jan. 29 at 6:30 p.m. at the Officers' Club. Cost for the evening is \$15 per person. Contact your reservations committee member no later than noon Jan. 25.

❑ Scholarship applications will be available today at the Base Education Office, the Enlisted Club, the Officers' Club, the Base Library, the Family Support Center and the Guidance Counselor Office of the local area high schools, including New Hampshire. Scholarships are open to high school seniors and dependent spouses. Applicants must be a dependent of an active duty, retired, or deceased military member of any branch of the service, to include members of Wives' Clubs and reside in one of the six New England States. There will be two special category awards. One in engineering and the other to a vocational-technical school. Applications must be post-marked by March 18. Contact Amy Nicholls at 274-9117 or Jeanne Richter at 275-1251 or 3-2022 for more information.

## Enlisted Wives' Club

❑ The members of the Enlisted Wives' Club invite eligible people to attend the general membership meeting in the Tuskegee Dining Room at the Patriot Enlisted Club on the first Monday of the month at 7 p.m.

Meetings are open to all spouses of enlisted personnel and all enlisted military personnel, married, or single. The EWC is involved in many community activities at Hanscom and have fundraisers to help sup-

Mark Woodard. Welcome back Lt. Col. Michael Markow and Lt. Col. Tracey Tynan.

Congratulations to Pam Jones on the birth of her daughter Jillian Pearl, and Maj. Ron Comeau on his selection as Distinguished Graduate at ACOT.

Happy Birthday to all of our December and January birthdays: Gary Kavanaugh, Steve Chiasson, Sean McMahaon, Kevin McLaughlin, Chris Haftel, Loring Webster, Bob Herron, Willie Harris, Capt. Debbie Zides, Anne Marie Bastek, Jack Flaherty, Capt. Mark Woodard, Sonya Halvorson, Patricia Jarvis,

Farewell and goodbye to 1st Lt. Kevin Massie, Richard Neubert Jr., Robert Antil, Capt. Ron Grogis, Christine Malochowski.

## Religious Activities

### Chapel, Bldg. 1603, 3-3538

❑ **Catholic masses:** Saturdays at 5 p.m., Sundays at 7:30 and 11 a.m. and weekdays at 12:05 p.m.

❑ **Protestant worship:** general Protestant Service — Sundays at 9 a.m.; Gospel Service — Sundays at 12:30 p.m.

❑ **Jewish services:** the first and third Friday of the month from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

❑ **Eastern Orthodox:** for information contact Tech. Sgt. James M. Boubonis at 274-8714.

❑ **For information** on chapel services, call 3-3538 or 3-3539.

port the community. The group enjoys many social activities and outings throughout the year. Experience the friendship and support that the EWC has to offer.

For information concerning the EWC and membership, contact President Tricia Kemens, at 275-9431 or Membership Chairperson, Marty Rockenstire, at 274-7948.

## Cub Scouts

❑ **Cub Scouts** provides boys in first through fifth grade with a chance to learn and grow in a thriving program that is deep in tradition and lots of fun.

If you have a boy interested in scouting or wish to get involved as an adult volunteer, call Cubmaster Kathy Schnepf at 274-0120.

## Girl Scouts

❑ The **Hanscom Girl Scouts** are a strong organization providing a wonderful avenue for girls to learn new skills, make lasting friendships and enjoy the world around them.

Any girl entering kindergarten through high school is welcome to join the fun. Scouts are always looking for adult volunteers.

For questions or to volunteer call at 274-0042.

## Miscellaneous

❑ **Alcoholics Anonymous** meetings are held at noon Thursdays at the Base Chapel and 8:30 p.m. Saturdays at the Education Center.

❑ **Patriot Honor Guard Booster Club.** The club is open to everyone. The Booster Club meetings are the first Wednesday of every month at 3:30 p.m.

For information contact Senior Airman Jennifer Huff at 3-4715.

## 66th Medical Group(SG)

The 66th Medical Group wishes a happy birthday to **Capt. Anita Compagnone, Capt. Mark Schenkman, Staff Sgt. Noel Sinclair, Senior Airman Rachel Bacchetti, Senior Airman Randall "Rudy" Smith, Airman 1st Class Alexis Pyatt and Airman 1st Class Dave Baskin.** Congratulations to **Maj. Darrell Grise** and to **Capt. John Shirley.** Congratulations to the 66th Medical Group's annual award winners: Airman of the Year to **Senior Airman Aimee Vallee**, NCO of the Year to **Tech. Sgt. Jay Soileau**, SNCO of the Year to **Master Sgt Linda Schmidt**, CGO of the Year to **Capt. Brian Gouveia**, Civilian of the Year Category I to **Patti Martone**, and Civilian of the Year Category II to **Colleen Miller.**

## People's Corner

### Comptroller (ESC/FM)

Congratulations to **Peggy L. Wells** on her promotion to Chief, FMCE-1.

Congratulations and farewell to **Ethel Peterson** who transferred to ESC/AC.

Congratulations to **1st Lt. Michael Beltrani** on his recent promotion.

### Information Operations (IY)

Welcome to **Col. Edward Mahan**, our new Systems Program Director, and our new contracting personnel: **Patricia Jarvis, Heidi Bosinger-Waldron, Capt.**





# Services

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## What's Happening in Services

### Veterinary Clinic Bldg. 1219, 3-3266

□ **Annual pet registration** will be during the month of January for the 1999 calendar year. Remember, failure to keep your pet current on vaccinations and registration may result in loss of pet and/or base housing privileges.

### Outdoor Recreation Bldg. 1531, 3-5316

□ Remember to use Outdoor Recreation for your shipping needs. We ship UPS.

□ Ask us about our "Frequent Skier Program."

□ We have wool sweaters for sale at \$35 each and hooded jackets at \$30.

□ Great deals for eligible patrons of Services for snowsports through **Operation Ski and Snowboard** (OpSki), an annual program developed especially for the Armed Services. For more information and details call Outdoor Recreation at 3-5316.

□ 1999 Massachusetts hunting, fishing, and sporting licenses are now available. Hunting/fishing is \$29 and a full sporting license is \$46.50.

### Base Library Bldg. 1530, 3-2177

□ **Story Time** for children takes place every Tuesday, 10:15 to 11 a.m. Children ages three to five are invited to join us for stories and craft activities.

□ Library hours through Jan. 31 are as follows: Monday 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Tuesday through Thursday, 9 a.m. to 8 p.m.; Friday and Saturday, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and closed Sundays.

### Youth Center Bldg. 1993, 3-3739

□ **Baseball registrations**, for ages five to 12, are being accepted through Feb. 15. \$25 for members and \$37.50 for nonmembers. Parents are reminded to bring copies of a physical exam and proof of age when registering.

### Fitness and Sports Bldg. 1548, 3-3639

□ The Fitness and Sports Center offers **17 aerobic classes** each week. Stop by or call for schedule and details of class levels and times.

□ **Taekwondo** classes are Mon-

day and Wednesday from 7 to 8:30 p.m. and Saturdays 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Classes are free and open to all personnel.

□ **Therapeutic massage** is now offered at the Fitness and Sports Center. Sessions are available from 6 a.m. to noon Mondays. Cost is \$50 per hour or \$30 per half hour.

### CDC, Bldg. 1994, 3-7166

□ **Hourly care** for children six weeks to age five. Call one week in advance for reservations. Space is limited and available to first come, first served. Hours are 7 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

□ **Caregiver positions** are available. For more information call the Human Resource office at 3-8741.

□ No waiting list for children over three years who need full day care. Call us for details.

□ **Parents Advisory Council** The CDC continues to look for parents to join our Parents Advisory group. Get involved in your child's future ... call today.

### Family Child Care Bldg. 1994, 3-1280

□ Love working with children? Want to be your own boss and set your own hours? Then give the Family Child Care office a call and learn more about becoming a Family Child Care provider.

### Hanscom Lanes Bldg. 1531, 3-2237

□ Hanscom Lanes is smoke free five days a week: Sunday, Monday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday, all day.

□ **Bowling Bingo** runs daily from 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. Win up to \$1,000. Only \$1 per chance.

□ **Family Bowling** is Saturdays. Choose from 3 to 5 p.m. or 5:15 to 7:15 p.m. Cost is \$7 per lane for 2 hours of bowling.

□ **Glow Bowling** is Jan. 23. Make it a fun night for the whole family beginning at 7:30 p.m. and don't forget to bring a friend.

□ **King and Queen of the Hill Tournament** is tomorrow and Jan. 30. Start time is 7:30 p.m. Call for registration information.

### Swimming Pool Bldg. 1550, 3-2455

□ Pool hours are Monday through Friday, 11 a.m. to 2

p.m. (adult laps) and 4 to 7 p.m. and Saturdays from noon to 6 p.m. The pool is closed on Sundays and holidays.

□ Want to be a certified lifeguard? If you are interested and 15 or older, call the pool for more information.

□ Swim lessons are held Tuesday and Thursday at 3 and 3:30 p.m. Cost is \$45 per person. Call the pool for more information.

### Tickets and Tours Bldg. 1535, 3-3262

□ Tickets, tours and more. **Ragtime**, Jan. 24 and 31 at 2 p.m. at the Colonial Theater, \$66.75 and March 28 at 2 p.m., \$70; **Rugrats** live on stage at the Worcester Centrum, Jan. 30, 3 p.m., \$24; **Wizard of Oz**, Jan. 31 at the Wang Center, 1 p.m., \$55; **Grease**, Feb. 21 at the Wang Center, 2 p.m., \$58; **Jekyll and Hyde**, April 11 at the Wang Center, 2 p.m., \$66. **Stars on Ice** featuring Tara Lapinski, Kristi Yamaguchi, Ilia Kulik, Scott Hamilton and more, March 6 at the Worcester Centrum, 7:30 p.m., \$47 per ticket. Tour the **Best of Ireland**, March 9 to 17 or April 20 to 28, \$1,149 per person, double occupancy plus tax. **Southern Belles and Riverboats** featuring New Orleans and Biloxi, March 18 to 24, \$999 per person, double occupancy and \$1,299 per person single.

□ We have discount movie tickets for General Cinema, Showcase Cinema, and Sony Theaters for only \$5.50 each. Don't forget your 1999 Entertainment discount books ... \$30 for Boston North and only \$20 for the New Hampshire book. Show your "Team Hanscom" spirit with a window decal for only \$2, post cards, phone cards and more.

### Auto Hobby Shop Bldg. 1702, 3-2612

□ The base car wash is being renovated to include a new "touchless" car washing system. It will also include a do-it-yourself wash bay.

□ Tired of the hassle of getting your car inspected off-base. Come to the Auto Hobby Shop. No appointment necessary.

## Club Happenings

### Patriot Enlisted Club, 3-2123

□ Join us Tuesday nights for dinner from "Around the World," 5 to 8 p.m. \$9 for adult members. A children's menu is available for \$4.50. Surcharge applies.

□ Wednesday night buffet is 5 to 7 p.m. This is the best deal in town! \$6.95 for adult members, \$3.95 for kids. Surcharge applies.

□ Thursday Lunch Buffet, 11:15 a.m. to 1 p.m. \$5.50 per person, surcharge applies.

□ Karaoke Jan. 21 from 7 to 10 p.m. and Boss 'N Buddy Night is Jan. 22 from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m.

□ Everyone is invited to enjoy the Tuskegee Airmen Room at the Enlisted Club. As a reminder, this is a designated non-smoking area.

□ Bingo every Friday from 6 to 8 p.m. A chance to win over \$300 in cash.

□ Club card drawing every Friday night. Win instant cash from the last four numbers of your club card. You must be present to win. If there is no winner, the pot will increase by \$25 each week.

□ All-Niter, Jan. 17. Doors open from 10 p.m. to 4 a.m. Free to members. Guests \$5 and eligible nonmembers \$8.

### Officers' Club, 3-3799

□ Start your day with us, every weekday morning from 7 to 9 a.m. for specialty coffees, bagels, muffins and more. Open to all base personnel.

□ Come and enjoy a great lunch of steak, baked potato or fries, salad, vegetable and more for only \$6 (members only please) every Thursday during lunch. Regular price is \$12.50 for all nonmembers regardless of eligibility.

□ All you can eat "Spaghetti Wednesday" lunch, Jan. 27, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. \$2 for members and \$6 for nonmembers.

□ Steak night every Thursday from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m.

□ Club Catering Services are available for that special party or function. Call Karen Cardoos at 3-9694 for more information.

□ Sunday "champagne brunch," Jan. 31 from 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Open to all base personnel. Adults \$9.95, children ages 6-12 \$5, and kids 5 and under are free.

### Enlisted Club Super Bowl Party Sunday, Jan. 31

**Food  
Fun  
Prizes!**

Doors open at 4:30 p.m.  
All personnel welcome!

Airman Appreciation  
Meal at the Patriot Dining Facility, Jan. 21,  
11:30 a.m. to 1:15 p.m.  
Call 3-2189 for info.

### NEEDED!

### Help Converse\* design shoes for the year 2000!

Boys and Girls six to nine  
Focus Group Jan. 20  
Jr. High and High School  
Age Boys and Girls

Wear Test  
Call Scott Craver at the  
Youth Center 3-3308



\*No Federal Endorsement of  
Sponsor Intended

### HELP WANTED!

Cashier  
NAF Accounting  
Mother's Hours

15 to 20 hours per week

Contact: Human Resources  
(781) 377-8741

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Fax Resume to 781-377-7899

### New club card coming your way in February!

The club card is getting a new look. Beginning this February, all club members will receive a new club card and be assigned a new account number. This card replaces your current club card, which will no longer be valid. The change is a result of First USA Bank's acquisition of our current financial institution, First BankCard Center. There will be no disruption in normal service and balances will automatically rollover to your new account. Watch for your new card in the mail and enjoy the privileges of your club membership.



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